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Please enter the following Amendment after Final under 37 C.F.R. 1.116(a) in response to the latest Office Action, Paper No. 10, mailed December 18, 2002 in the above-identified patent application.

The case as amended contains sixteen (16) claims and three (3) independent claims which does not exceed twenty (20) claims and three (3) independent claims, and no fee is believed to be due.